



Alaska State Library Continuing Education Newsletter

Webinars

- [LLAMA Thought Leaders will feature R. David Lankes](#)
- [Asset Based Community Development \(ABCD\) in the Library](#)
- [TechSoup for Libraries-Maximize Your Technology Services with TechSoup](#)



Events Calendar

September 2016						
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Upcoming Events:						
Public Librarians' Monthly Chat : LibPas						
Thu, Sep 8, 2016 10:00am						
Graphic Novels: Look Deeper Than POW and WHAM						
Thu, Sep 8, 2016 3:00pm						
Public Librarian's' Monthly Chat : LibPas						
Fri, Sep 9, 2016 1:00pm						
Show all events						

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Growing Our Own Leadership, here in Alaska

During the initial *Library Leadership Advisory Committee* meeting participants discussed the difficulty in finding people willing to serve in leadership roles in the Alaska Library Association and the problem of filling leadership positions within their organizations. As one participant stated, “We have to import leaders from elsewhere.” Several participants expressed interest in supporting the leadership development of their staff and are advocates of leading from any position. While there is widespread agreement amongst participants that we need to grow our own leadership, right here in Alaska. Participants also wrestled with the role of the Library Leadership Advisory Committee. Should we focus on supporting personal leadership development, support statewide leadership participation or do both? In order to answer these questions, we will be conducting a library leadership needs assessment. If you are interested in assisting with the development of a leadership survey which will be distributed to public, school and academic libraries in October, please contact me Julie.niederhauser@alaska.gov

NEW Alaska Public Library Reports System

The Alaska State Library is streamlining the process of collecting Alaska Public Library Reports. We will no longer be accepting paper reports. Two webinars have been scheduled to introduce librarians to the NEW online [Alaska Public Library Report System](#). Public libraries will begin inputting their statistics into the online Alaska Public Library Report System later this month. Each of these hour-long webinars will be led by Lindsey Thompson, Director of Customer Service for Counting Opinions. To register for these webinars visit the [Library Development Training & Continuing Education Calendar](#)

Public Librarians’ Monthly Chat on LibPas Sept 8th at 10 am

Public Librarians’ Monthly Chat on LibPas Sept 9th at 1 pm